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IN THE UNITED STATES
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: DESHOTEL TITLE: Improved Welding Machine
SERIAL NO.: 09/517,258 ART UNIT: 1725
FILING DATE: March 2, 2000 EXAMINER: Z. Pittman
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RESPONSE

The Honorable Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:


This is in response to the Examiner's Action mailed April 24, 2001 (Paper No. 3), requiring that a response be mailed to the Office before the shortened statutory period set to expire on May 24, 2001.

ELECTION

Pursuant to the Examiner's requirement, Applicant hereby elects to prosecute claims 1 through 15, 30 through 43, 63 through 67, and claim 69. If the Examiner believes that a teleconference may be useful in resolving any of the issues that remain in the application, he is invited to contact the undersigned at the number provided below.

Respectfully submitted:

Dated: May 15, 2001



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